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Docket No.
540.1040US

In Re Application Of:
Anand R. Baichwal et al.

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Serial No.
09/676,376

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Examiner
Todd Ware

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Invention:

SUSTAINED RELEASE MATRIX SYSTEMS FOR HIGHLY SOLUBLE DRUGS

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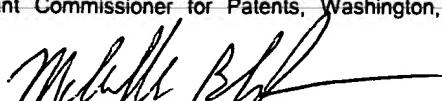
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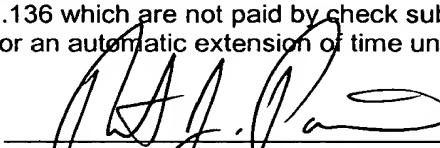
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